

Clinical Center / Nursing & Patient Care Services
Clinical Practice Committee Minutes
Wednesday, February 4, 2004
8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Medical Board Room

Chair: P. Littel

Co-chair: D. Chepurko

Administrative Support: H. Mayberry

Issue	Action Item/Decision
Announcements	■ Ms. Piowarczyk announced Ms. Poole's tenure on CPC is over and she will now represent 13E/OCC.
Agenda Review, Review of Minutes and Grid	■ The agenda was approved with the following modifications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PRO: Backflow Technique delayed • Perry and Potter update delayed; Ms. Littel read aloud a communication from Ms. Matlock; accepted into minutes. • Oral syringes deleted
New NPC Requests	■ None
SOP: Sequential Compression Device	■ Draft reviewed. It was agreed that SOP should additionally address compression stockings which may include Jobst stockings. The following information was offered: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OR Checklist states, "Thigh-High Anti-Embolism Stockings Applied." Assumes every OR patient gets thigh-highs; will validate with surgeons. Also need to explore actions taken by nurse when thigh-highs do not fit a patient. • LIPs rely on a nurse to determine knee- or thigh-high stockings • Are MIS/CRIS ordering screens functional so that all required elements are completed by LIP? • It is preliminarily recommended that nurses and LIPs receive brief education • Sizing charts are available through WOCNs, CHS, and on some units. ■ Work will continue on this SOP.
SOP: Ommaya Reservoir PRO: Ommaya Reservoir	■ Ms. Mayberry reviewed draft documents briefly outlining recommended changes. Draft documents for triannual review will be distributed to CPC members and nurses who have received advanced training in this procedure; 1 week turnaround was agreed to be reasonable. If possible, final drafts will be submitted to NPC on February 19, 2004, seeking approval.
2004 Work Tracking Grid	■ Following actions taken: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stakeholders confirmed and deadlines established up through August 2004 (see Work Grid for details) • SOP: Intracranial Pressure Monitoring Device does not need additional review and will be removed from Work Grid 2004. • On behalf of CPC, Ms. Mayberry will distribute documents for triannual review.
Clinical Practice Issues	■ Tylenex Bands - Ms. Parada (PIC Chair) sought suggestions for improving the use of Tylenex bracelets. Staff education provided in 2003 has not yielded the expected improvements. CPC members suggested that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • work load on a particular shift may impact on the accurate use of Tylenex bracelet, ie., night shift and patient acuity. • information recorded on Tylenex bracelet be validated by a 2nd person prior to the specimen draw.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DTM explore other products available on the market; some discussion of barcoding. <p>■ Patient Identification - Ms. Parada sought suggestions for improving the accuracy of patient identification, ie., first/last name and DOB. The policy is well-understood but the reality of clinical situations have raised questions regarding the sleeping patient at night, sedated patients, procedures used in day hospitals and outpatient areas. CPC members suggested that the Admissions Department's process of placing an identification bracelet be explored.</p> <p>■ 2 Independent checks and high-alert drugs - Ms. Gore and Ms. Shelburne sought clarity on the intention of the independent check process of high-alert drug infusions, particularly at change of shift. Discussion of various clinical situations suggested that additional education and clarity of language in SOP: <u>Medication Administration</u> may be needed.</p> <p>■ MAS Patient Allergies - lack of time did not permit a full discussion of this issue. Agenda time was requested in March 2004. Would like to validate if allergy labels are curling and/or falling off unit charts, allergy label par levels sufficient on PCUs.</p>
Agenda Planning	■ MAS Patient Allergies

NEXT MEETING: March 3, 2004

Attachment: 2004 Work Tracking Grid